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5. [redacted] Called Mr. Dudley, House Judiciary Committee staff, and discussed the letter from the Committee addressed to the Director, although the body of the text concerned the FBI. He acknowledged that the letter was missent and another letter would be forthcoming. This concerns a request for the Agency to detail the procedures followed in the utilization and further dissemination of information compiled by the former House Committee on Internal Security.

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6. [redacted] Called Mike Krepon, in the office of Representative Floyd V. Hicks (D., Wash.), to arrange for a follow up briefing on chemical warfare for the Representative which was lightly covered at a previous briefing given by [redacted] OSI, accompanied by [redacted]. I explained our delay in responding was due to [redacted] retirement and the unavailability of [redacted] Krepon tentatively set the briefing for Monday, 24 March, at 9:00 a.m. in the Representative's office. 25X1A

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7. [redacted] Early this morning, John Marsh, Counselor to the President, called and asked if I knew where things stood with respect to the Kastenmeier Subcommittee on Courts, Civil Liberties and the Administration of Justice of House Judiciary Committee, today on mail intercept activities. I told Marsh that Larry Silberman met yesterday with Chairman Rodino (of the full Committee) and Kastenmeier, that they were not persuaded to defer their hearings on the mail intercept program in deference to the appointment of the House Select Committee, but they were more persuaded by Silberman's statement that the subject of mail intercepts was under consideration by the Department of Justice. The conclusion was the Subcommittee would hold its hearings with William Cotter, Post Office Department, as a witness today but they would try to keep the questions within reasonable bounds.

I took this opportunity to advise Marsh we were having a group of some 20 freshmen Democrats out for breakfast with the Director this morning. I said we had conducted a program of contacting freshmen members in each Congress and that while this was an all Democratic group, the Director has spoken to some Republicans since this Congress was convened and will be speaking with others. Marsh commented he thought having these breakfasts was an excellent idea and we should do more of it.

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12. [REDACTED] Called Larry Silberman, Justice Department, and told him we were getting down to the crunch on the hearing by the Subcommittee on Courts, Civil Liberties and the Administration of Justice, House Judiciary Committee. Silberman said he was having a meeting at 4:00 today with Chairman Rodino, of the full Committee, and Chairman Kastenmeier, of the Subcommittee. I said our problem is that Mr. Cotter, Security Officer of the Post Office Department, has been told they fully intend to go into the mail intercept business with him in open session. He feels he cannot refuse to go into it. Silberman said he would be in touch after his meeting. I advised John McMahon, A/DDA, of this call and told him we would have to wait to hear from Silberman.

Later in the evening, Silberman called regarding his session with Rodino and Kastenmeier. He said Kastenmeier was not terribly sympathetic about deferring the mail intercept issue to the Select Committee, but when he told Kastenmeier that the matter was also under review by the Justice Department and questioning Cotter might disrupt things, they agreed to do all they could to stay out of that area. It is their prime area of interest, however. Silberman said he call Lou Cox, General Counsel of the Post Office Department, and told him to tell Cotter that if they did ask questions about this, Cotter should offer to come back in closed session to answer. I passed this information on to John McMahon.

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13. [REDACTED] Sally Horn, in the office of Representative Jonathan Bingham, called and said she had talked with Bingham and he would like someone to come up and brief him on SALT and the verification capabilities. She asked if this could be set up for Wednesday at 4:00 p.m. I told her I would check with Carl Duckett and get back in touch with her.

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14. [REDACTED] Marc Kliman, in the office of Representative Les Aspin, called and, referring to Secretary Schlesinger's chart on military assistance and civil defense, wanted to know how the figures change if you include military assistance. I checked with [REDACTED] OSR, and asked him to call Kliman directly.

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